

THE WEATHER
Tonight, Fair and Colder; Saturday, Fair.

TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

METAL QUOTATIONS	
Silver	89 3/8c
Copper	23 1/2c
Lead	6 3/4c
Quicksilver	\$1.08

AUSTRIA IS TORN BY STRIKES

TONOPAH MAN IS MURDERED BY HOLD-UP IN GOLDFIELD

3 BULLETS END LIFE OF J. GRAF THIS A. M.

MURDERER OVERLOOKS \$340 IN GOLD; JAMES HUGHES, SUSPECT, IS JAILED.

This morning at 1 o'clock, in front of the Athletic club in Goldfield, a hold-up occurred and the victim, John Graf, was shot three times and instantly killed by the man who ordered "Hands up!"

John Graf had been an employee of the Tonopah Belmont Mining company since last March. In June he left the company's employment and went to San Francisco on a vacation. In September he returned and again resumed work with his old employer. On the 16th instant he drew his time, and went to Goldfield yesterday morning.

During yesterday and last night, while taking in the various resorts of the gold camp, he exhibited a handful of gold coin. During the day and evening James Hughes, a Goldfield lad who has a police record, in company with Caspar Steiner and another resident of Goldfield, accompanied Graf on his rounds of pleasure seeking. About 1 o'clock Steiner and Graf started for the red light district and when in front of the Athletic club they were accosted by a man with a white handkerchief over his face.

"Hands up!" he ordered, leveling a gun at Graf.

It is presumed that Graf made some remonstrance. The hold-up fired three shots into Graf's body, killing him instantly. The murderer then ran from the scene. The shooting was witnessed by several men, who saw the hold-up running up the street.

Steiner says that he does not know who the hold-up was, explaining that he was very intoxicated. He remembers, however, that the murderer had a white handkerchief over his face.

James Hughes was arrested shortly after the killing and placed in jail. A pistol was found in a vacant lot a few feet from where the crime was committed. It is said to be a known fact that Hughes took this gun from a saloon where it had been behind the bar for several days just prior to the time of the killing.

When Graf's clothing was searched \$340 in gold was found in his pockets the holdup having been unable to take the money, owing to the fact that the sound of the three shots brought a crowd and officers immediately to the scene.

John Graf is well spoken of by the people of Tonopah as a quiet, industrious man, who, at times, was addicted to drinking. An inquest is being held today in Goldfield and a chain of evidence is being wound around Hughes.

HUGE POSTAGE BILL.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 18.—A ruling of the postmaster general that registration certificates being mailed to motor vehicle owners and operators in California must go as first-class mail will cost the state \$24,000 in extra postage. The certificates were previously listed as fourth-class matter.

HERTLING HESITATES.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—Chancellor Von Hertling has again postponed his speech, which he was expected to make today in reply to President Wilson's and Lloyd George's definition of war aims, according to advices received here.

UNREST IN ENGLAND AS RESULT OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION GROWS

THOUSANDS OF WORKERS TO STRIKE FOR ONE DAY IN MANCHESTER AS PROTEST.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—Newspapers are giving increased attention to food troubles and popular impatience with what is regarded as avoidable privation. The Times directs attention to the "persistence of unequal distribution of food and its offspring, the Quaque system." It says the situation is beginning to tax the tempers of the people and refers to the numerous protests and demands for rationing which are finding expression in disorderliness. "It would be folly to ignore the obvious symptoms of unrest," it concludes.

Dissatisfaction is particularly strong in industrial districts. Hundreds of thousands of workers in Manchester engineering shops are planning to cease work for one day, January 26, for the purpose of protesting at the unequal distribution and demanding general rationing.

FAVORABLE ACTION ON BILL CREATING MUNITIONS CHIEF

SENATE MILITARY COMMITTEE APPROVES DRASTIC MEASURE.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The senate military committee today favorably reported a bill creating a director of munitions, with cabinet membership.

The bill establishing a war council is nearly completed.

The former provides that the president appoint a munitions director, who would be clothed with authority delegated from the president to take over any government agencies that may be necessary for his department and not subject to the authority of any cabinet members.

The control of munitions, clothing, equipment and "war supplies of any character" is proposed.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The senate military committee today approved the bill creating a war council of three members. It will be introduced Monday. Proposals to include the secretaries of war and navy were defeated in committee.

U. S. SOLDIERS PUT OUT FIRE IN VILLAGE

(By Associated Press.) WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Jan. 16.—(Wednesday)—The army fire department in the village where United States troops are quartered extinguished a blaze in a hay loft today. The soldiers used part of the fire apparatus belonging to the village, which had not been changed since 1743. They found the old hand pump rusty and useless, but took the leather hose, which was still in good condition, attached it to the pump and threw water on the flames.

ROOFERS ELECT.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—J. C. Norton of Cleveland, O., was elected president of the National Association of Master Roofers and Slag Roofers of America today. Other officers elected include: T. F. Sloan, Paterson, N. J., vice-president; J. I. Holder, New York, secretary and treasurer, and directors: A. W. Carmichael, Toronto, Canada, and Michael Savage, Kansas City, Mo.

GARFIELD IS OBDURATE DESPITE PROTESTS

COUNTRY FOR THE FIRST TIME FEELS PINCH OF WAR; SENATORS INDIGNANT.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—America is feeling the pinch of war for perhaps the first time under the federal administration's order closing all industries to relieve the coal shortage and release fuel for ships loaded with supplies for our army and our allies.

Garfield signed the order last night in the face of protests predicting disastrous consequences and a formal request from the senate for its suspension.

It is stated officially the president is not considering interfering and feels certain the country will be convinced of the necessity of the order. A renewed attempt was made by the senate to head off the order.

Senators described themselves as being in a state of "impotent indignation." Smith of Michigan said the senate should "rise and clip the wings of those who seek to exercise authority which was never intended to be given."

The order was modified today to permit all munitions plants to work at full capacity. Only one ice plant is allowed to operate in any city. Twenty-three of the largest steel mills are allowed to operate, provided they devote their full capacity to government work.

The food administration exempted "every sort of food agency."

A flood of exemption applications were received today. It appeared that those woolen plants making cloth for soldiers' uniforms will receive favorable consideration.

Senator Smith of Georgia received a letter, dated today, from Garfield that stated the ruling does not apply to "newspapers and other industries operated by the use of hydro-electric power."

There was a renewal of attacks in the house. Representative Snyder of New York denounced the restriction.

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CHURCHES CLOSE.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 18.—Churches at El Paso, Ill., have decided to hold no services Sunday, but instead, members owning bobsleds will drive to the coal mine at Roanoke, fifteen miles away, and haul coal to El Paso to relieve the famine existing there.

CAUSE OF WRECK.

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 18.—A dragging brake beam on a freight train that passed over the track more than an hour before was responsible for the wreck on the Houston & Central railroad last Monday morning, when seventeen persons lost their lives, according to a report submitted by a board of inquiry.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah.	1918	1917
5 a. m.	38	4
9 a. m.	39	6
12 noon	40	12
Maximum Jan. 17	48	7
Minimum Jan. 17	32	6
Relative humidity at noon today	61 per cent.	
*Below zero.		

Experts Brand Poison Pollen Yarn as Absurd

THE VERY NATURE OF WHEAT WOULD MAKE SUCH A SCHEME IMPOSSIBLE.

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 18.—Agricultural experts of the University of California characterized as absurd a report of a plot to destroy the wheat crop of the United States by the dissemination in this country of a destructive pollen said to have been shipped from Germany.

The state council of defense yesterday announced that it was in receipt of reliable information from Washington that a quantity of the so-called pollen already was in the hands of German agents in California. The council called upon the authorities for aid in tracing the substance.

"The very nature of wheat," said one of the university experts, "would make such a scheme impossible. Even if the wheat could be impregnated it would not be destroyed."

NO CONSCRIPTION OF OF IRISH BY ENGLAND

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—The house of commons, by a vote of 136 to 43, rejected an amendment to the "manpower" bill which proposed to apply conscription to Ireland.

RAMMED STEAMER BACK HOME UNDER OWN STEAM

HAS LARGE HOLE IN HER SIDE; COMPARTMENTS PREVENTED SINKING.

(By Associated Press.) AN ATLANTIC PORT, Jan. 18.—The American steamer Texan, which was rammed Monday at sea by a convoying warship, returned today under her own steam, with a large hole in her port side.

Water-tight bulkheads prevented the Texan from sinking. Several compartments were full of water when she reached port.

IOWA OVER TOP.

(By Associated Press.) ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 18.—Iowa was the state to go "over the top" of the five composing the North Central division in the campaign to raise the Y. M. C. A. war fund. It is announced here, but Minnesota and Nebraska nearly reached their apportionments and the drives in North and South Dakota are not complete. The division as a whole exceeded its quota of \$360,000 by \$8,582. Iowa, allotted \$130,000, returned pledges for \$154,915. Nebraska subscribed \$74,511, against an allotment of \$75,000. Mrs. Marion L. Burton of Minneapolis was elected president of the North Central committee.

CONFECTIONERS CONSERVE.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Conservation of sugar and indorsement of the government's war policies was expressed yesterday by manufacturing confectioners of ten Middle West states at the annual meeting of the Midland club. Frank M. Keller of St. Joseph, Mo., was elected president of the organization and F. E. Giller of Lincoln, Neb., was chosen treasurer.

TRADE BOARD SHIVERS.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—When the board of trade opened today 100 telephone operators quit on account of the cold. Practically all outside trading has stopped. Traders worked in overcoats, caps and mittens.

FERMENT IN PETROGRAD ASSEMBLY TO CONVENE

PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER OF BOLSHEVIKI AT ODDS, IS REPORT.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Bolshevik Foreign Minister Trotsky agreed Wednesday to continue peace discussions as planned. The next sitting was.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—Russian news in the morning newspapers fails to indicate clearly whether the constituent assembly will meet today as previously reported, or to give additional information as to the Rumanian situation and the escape of the ex-tsar.

Petrograd dispatches indicate ferment in the city is likely if the assembly meets. The alliance for the defense of the assembly is preparing large demonstrations, by issuing appeals to the people in the streets, conducting agitation in the military barracks and among the crews of the warships in the Neva.

(By Associated Press.) STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18.—Swedish newspaper correspondents at Petrograd say the relations between Premier Lenin and Foreign Minister Trotsky are daily growing more strained. Lenin is displeased by the way Trotsky continuously occupies the public eye, and believes his foreign policy contrary to the best interests of the revolution.

Friends of Lenin declare he intends to submit his resignation to the workmen's and soldiers' congress.

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PACKERS DON'T FIX PRICES SAYS SWIFT

SUPPLY AND DEMAND ONLY FACTOR IN ESTABLISHMENT OF COST.

(By Associated Press.) SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 18.—Prices of sheep and lambs are not fixed by the packers, according to Louis F. Swift, president of Swift & Co., who addressed the National Wool Growers' association here yesterday.

Mr. Swift said, in part: "You know the packers do not fix the prices, because, if they did, they certainly would not fix them as high as they are at present."

"Prices are fixed by conditions of supply and demand and in no other way. The packers can no more fix the price of anything than they can stop the flow of Niagara Falls."

"I believe that prices are too high. Neither was I in sympathy with the low prices of two years ago, but no one could help it—it was a condition of supply and demand."

"What we must all do is to work together, to co-operate for the benefit of the industry—it's all mutual."

PILLOW'S SON DEAD.

(By Associated Press.) LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 18.—Robert Gideon Pillow, aged 65, son of the Confederate general, Gideon J. Pillow, died here yesterday of pneumonia.

(By Associated Press.) MONTREAL, Jan. 18.—Frankie Fleming, featherweight boxing champion of Canada, has joined the Royal Flying Corps. He will be trained as an aviator at Camp Borden, Ont.

Lloyd George in Plea to Workers For Conscription

DEMOCRACY FOR WHICH ADHERENTS WILL NOT DIE CAN NOT LONG EXIST, HE SAYS.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—No man could deny the urgent need of raising more men, Lloyd George said in addressing labor delegates today. "No democracy ever long survived the failure of its adherents to die for it," he declared.

He and President Wilson, without previous consultation, had outlined war aims substantially the same.

He said there had been but one answer from Germany to the demands of complete restoration of Belgium, and that came "from Von Tirpitz's soul—never!"

He said: "Our channel ports are not far from the fighting line. Unless we are prepared to stand up to the people who are dominating Germany, British and French democracy of Europe will be at the mercy of the most cruel military autocracy the world has ever seen."

LOSS OF BILLION RESULT OF ORDER ON FUEL, CHARGE

GARFIELD GRILLED FOR TWO HOURS BY SENATORS WHO DISAPPROVE ACTION.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Fuel Administrator Garfield underwent a two-hour grilling yesterday at the hands of the senate committee investigating the coal shortage which called him before it to explain his reasons for issuing the order shutting down industries by denying them the use of coal.

At the termination of the hearing the committee decided to make no formal report, but Chairman Reed made a speech in the senate declaring Dr. Garfield had not satisfied him of the necessity for such drastic action. The line of questions asked by other members of the committee indicated that they, too, took the same view.

Dr. Garfield declared the order was made imperative because of the fuel and transportation crisis. If coal were not put off to all industries for a period many of them, he said, would be forced to close, anyhow, and the government in closing down everything intended to treat all alike.

Members of the committee criticized severely the closing down of industries which have coal stores on hand and declared that the order, if made effective, would cost the country a billion dollars in wages and production.

MINER DIES IN JAIL AFTER PROLONGED DRINKING BOUT

Charles Gravel, a Belgian, who had been employed in local mines for some time, died at 3 o'clock this morning in the county jail. He had been drinking heavily since payday, buying liquor by the bottle and taking it to his cabin. Last evening he was taken to jail, where proper treatment could be given him.

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BERNE-THEOPHELUS MATCH FEBRUARY 22

William Berne, the Russian wrestler, and Crith Theophilus, the Greek ditty, will meet on February 22, it was at last decided late yesterday. Berne will meet Victor Ajax February 12. Both matches will be promoted by the Business Men's Athletic club.

This apparently ends the on-again-off-again business, and everybody is satisfied, except, perhaps, the promoters who thought they had Berne and the Greek matched for this month.

While the articles were being signed Theophilus acclaimed his conviction that Berne had "yellow feet"—an original way of saying yellow streak and cold feet at the same time. Berne didn't appreciate the originality and cracked Crith a wallop on the jaw, but bystanders

RIOTING IN VIENNA AND NUMEROUS LOCALITIES

ITALIANS WIN NEW GAINS; BIG LOSSES INFLICTED ON TEUTONS.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 18.—Zurich dispatches report serious strikes accompanied by rioting have occurred in Vienna and other cities throughout Austria.

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS, Jan. 17.—(Thursday)—

Two hours of stubborn battle yesterday by the Italians broke the enemy pressure on the Lower Piave and seriously checked the Teuton effort to improve positions near Venice.

The enemy sustained heavy losses and the Italians captured 150 prisoners. One of the roses of the enemy was for a party to advance with hands up, shouting "Kamerad," then suddenly rushing forward with hand grenades when near the Italians.

They were mowed down by Italian machine gunners.

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(By Associated Press.) ROME, Jan. 18.—An official communication says the Italian losses last week were two steamers of more than 1600 tons sunk. One steamer and one sailing vessel were unsuccessfully attacked.

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BUTLER THEATRE TO-NIGHT

A Screen Surprise, with VIRGINIA PEARSON in "ALL FOR A HUSBAND" Is any man safe from a marriageable lady? "THE FIGHTING TRAIL" TOMORROW Big Show, "Draft 258," in seven reels. "Roaring Lions and Wedding Bells." A two-reel, rip-roaring comedy. Matinee Daily 1:30 Admission 10c and 15c